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Mr. William F. Caton **Acting Secretary Federal Communications Commission** 1919 M Street, N.W., Room 222 Washington, D.C. 20554

Re:

Amendment of Section 73.202(b)

Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations

Boonville, California

MM Docket No. 97-46, RM-8990

Dear Mr. Caton:

Transmitted herewith on behalf of Boonville Broadcast Company are an original and four (4) copies of its "Comments of Boonville Broadcast Company" as directed to the Chief, Allocations Branch.

Should any additional information be required, please contact this office.

Very truly yours.

Counsel for

Boonville Broadcast Company

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Amendment of Section 73.202(b) Table of Allotments	<u> </u>	RM-8990
FM Broadcast Stations)	
(Boonville, California))	

To: Chief, Allocations Branch

COMMENTS OF BOONVILLE BROADCAST COMPANY

Boonville Broadcast Company ("Boonville Broadcast"), by counsel, in accordance with 47 CFR §§ 1.415 and 1.420, hereby submits its Comments in the above-captioned proceeding. In support thereof, Boonville Broadcast states as follows:

I. INTRODUCTION

1. On February 7, 1997, the Commission released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking ("NPRM") in the above-captioned proceeding in which it proposed the allotment of Channel 241A to Boonville, California as its first local transmission service. Boonville Broadcast supports the allotment of Channel 241A to Boonville, California for the reasons stated in the NPRM and also for the reasons stated by Boonville Broadcast in its Petition for Rulemaking, which is hereby incorporated by reference. However, in the NPRM, the Commission asked Boonville Broadcast to "provide additional information regarding the

attributes of Boonville, California".¹ In response to this request, Boonville Broadcast provides the following information.

II. ARGUMENT

A. Boonville, California Is A Community For Purposes Of The FM Table Of Allotments

- 2. Boonville has its own post office and zip code.² The presence of a post office is evidence of community status. See, *Homerville, Lakeland and Statenville, Georgia*, 6 FCC Rcd 5802, ¶10 (1991). Boonville has a 1990 U.S. Census population of 1,744 persons.³ Listing by the U.S. Census is additional evidence of community status. Bear Creek, Pennsylvania, DA 96-845, MM Docket No. 96-151; RM-8808, 1996 FCC LEXIS 3792 (MMB July 19, 1996).
- 3. Boonville is also home to many locally based businesses. The Anderson Creek Inn is located in Boonville.⁴ The community has two video stores: La Elegante Av Video and Pearls Videos Etc.⁵ Along Highway 128 in Boonville are one museum and two art galleries: The Anderson Valley History Museum, Rafas and Rookie To Gallery.⁶ Boonville has its own airport.⁷
- 4. Most significantly, Boonville is the home of the Anderson Valley

 Brewing Company.⁸ This is a boutique brewery that has grow substantially since

¹ NPRM, p. 2, ¶3.

² Rand McNally Commercial Atlas & Marketing Guide, 128th Ed. 1997, p. 278.

http://www.census.gov/cgi-bin/gazetteer?city=&state=&zip=95415. Exhibit 1.

⁴ See, http://www.mendonet.com/places/noframes/bnblist.htm.

⁵ See, http://www.dreamagic.com/roger/videostores/store10.html.

⁶ See, http://www.dreamagic.com/captn/artgalleries/store9.html.

⁷ See, http://www.theflightdeck.com/ca/q17.html. Exhibit 2.

⁸ See, http://www.avbc.com/avbc/home.html. Exhibit 3.

1986. Its various brews have gained a considerable reputation in beer drinking circles.9

5. The above examples of Boonville based businesses and activities demonstrate the fact that Boonville is a community for purposes of the FM table of allotments. Therefore, Boonville Broadcast respectfully requests that the Commission assign Channel 241A to Boonville as its first local aural service.

B. Boonville Broadcast's Intention To Apply For The Channel And Construct The Station

6. If the Commission assigns Channel 241A to Boonville, California, Boonville Broadcast will apply for a construction permit and will construct a new facility upon award of that permit.

III. CONCLUSION

7. Boonville, California has been shown to posses its own zip code, Census listing and post office. It has several businesses, galleries and is the home to a well established microbrewery. Consequently, Boonville is a community for purposes of the FM table of allotments.

WHEREFORE, in accordance with the above, Boonville Broadcast

Company respectfully requests that Channel 241A be assigned to Boonville,

California as its first local transmission service.

⁹ See, e.g., http://www.webmaster.com/safeena/breview.html.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Boonville Broadcast Company

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U.S. Gazetteer

Select one of the following matches to your query to look at that place in the Tiger Map Browser or retrieve 1990 Census tables.

You can search this index. Type the keyword(s) you want to search for:

• Zip Code: 95415 (Boonville, CA)

Population (1990): 1744

Location: 39.035007 N, 123.401954 W

Browse Tiger Map of area.

Lookup 1990 Census zipcode data from STF3B.

*Note: This dataset is derived from the Census GICS and does not contain unincorporated place names.

For other geographic entities, try searching the <u>USGS Geographic Names Information System</u>. The <u>US Gazetteer Place and Zipcode files</u> used in this service is available for downloading.

Please email comments and suggestions to: WebMaster@Census.GOV.

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Boonville Airport (Q17) - Boonville, California

Time Zone	LAT-Long	Fuel	Lighting	Approaches	Variation	Elevation	Length
IP I		No Fuel	No Light	VFR	17deg E	1371 11	3240ft. x 40ft.

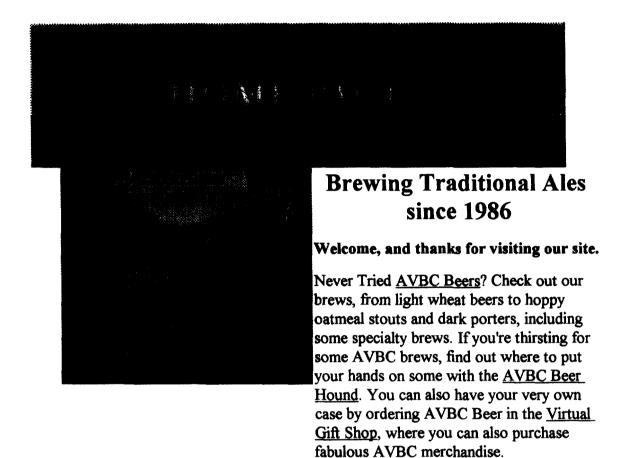
Airport Services	Phone Number	FBO Frequency	Location	Fuel Brand
Mgr. Joe Fox	707-895-3483	N/A	N/A	N/A

NAV Facilities				
112.3 ENI VOR/DME	110.0 MXW VOR/DME			
228.6deg/5.6nm	233.7deg/57.1nm			

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While visiting our site, you can take a virtual <u>Brewery Tour</u> to discover the who, what and how behind our brews. Thinking of <u>Visiting Anderson Valley</u> in Mendocino County? Find out how to get there, where to stay, and what historic <u>"Boontling"</u> is all about.

We're still growing, so be sure to check out the <u>AVBC News</u> and latest developments and <u>Jobs at AVBC</u>. If you'd like to receive our newsletter, be sure to <u>Contact AVBC</u> and leave us with your comments.

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I, Henry E. Crawford, Esq., do hereby certify that copies of the foregoing

Comments of Boonville Broadcast Company have been served by United States

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